

Hyde Park City Council Meeting
113 East Center Street
Hyde Park, Utah

May 11, 2016

The Hyde Park City Council meeting of May 11, 2016 began at 7:00 pm and was conducted by City Council Member Flint.

City Officials Present: Council members; Mark Hurd, Bob Christensen, Bret Randall, Sharidean Flint, and Charles Wheeler. Planning and Zoning member; Mark Lynne, Police Chief; Kim Hawkes and City Recorder; Donja Wright. Mayor Cox was excused.

Others Present: James Allen, Dave Rayfield, Jay Jenks, Seth Bowen, Mark Bennett, Troop 83.

Prayer or Thought: Council member Randall

Pledge of Allegiance: Council member Wheeler

Adoption of Agenda: Council member Wheeler moved that the Hyde Park City Council approve the agenda for the May 11, 2016 City Council meeting as presented. Council member Christensen seconded the motion. Council members Hurd, Christensen, Randall, Flint and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 5/0.

Citizen Input: Kyle Coombs, JD Hancy, and Mark Bennett approached the Council and requested information about the new park going in across from the Park Meadows subdivision. Council member Wheeler informed them that the City purchased the land to be used as an exchange for land where the new high school is going in. The City is waiting for signatures to finalize the land swap and then construction of the park will begin. The plans are for soccer / lacrosse fields, a restroom, and some type of activities for younger kids.

Discussion with Jay Jenks regarding the master road plan along 3200 North - Jay Jenks approached the Council and informed them that he is looking at 10 acres of property north of the Miller Larsen subdivision. The way the road is currently shown on the Master road plan makes a portion of the parcel unusable. He asked the Council if they would consider a road realignment. Council member Randall informed Mr. Jenks that a realignment could be considered provided the water line stays within the City Right of Way. The Council recommended that Mr. Jenks get a letter from his engineer verifying that the water line would remain in the City right of way. The Council informed Mr. Jenks that they were currently considering some changes to the Master Road Plan and they would add this realignment to be considered along with the other changes. The Council requested that the Master Road Plan be added to the May 25th City Council for discussion and a public hearing

scheduled for June 8th. Mr. Jenks asked if the Council would also look at changing the 80ft ROW requirements to a 66ft design.

Discussion with Seth Bowen concerning the landscaping around Freckle

Farm: Seth Bowen approached the Council and asked what the Council recommends he does to make things right with the City. The Council informed him that the ditch needs to be opened up so the water can flow down the ditch. Mr. Bowen informed the Council that he took ownership of Freckle Farms 2 years ago. There were no disclosures or preexisting conditions listed from the prior owner. Mr. Bowen informed the Council that the City did not require this of the prior owner and questioned why they waited so long to enforce the landscaping and storm water requirements. He is concerned because he does not have the funds to pay for installing a ditch or line as a storm water solution. Council member Christensen informed Mr. Bowen that Hyde Park City would be willing to help with the installation of the ditch. Mr. Bowen informed the Council that he submitted a landscape proposal last year but does not want to put in landscaping until the storm drain is in. He said that Mike Grunig informed him that the drain will need to cut across the property in order to get the necessary fall. The Council and Mr. Bowen discussed redoing the park strip as a storm water demonstration garden. Tony's Grove had been experimenting with a fountain feature to evaporate the storm water. Council member Hurd informed Mr. Bowen that if the ditch has been used in the past as an irrigation ditch it would need to be in place still. Council member Randall informed Mr. Bowen that the reason he was here talking to the Council was because letters had been sent requesting that he come into compliance by coming up with a solution for storm water and landscaping and the City had not heard back from him. The Council would like some kind of plan. Council member Randall recommended that Mr. Bowen come up with a plan and meet with the LUA to address his and the City's concerns. Mr. Bowen informed the Council that the plan he submitted had a grain bin that will be used for storage. He was told he needed to have it engineered. It was recommended that he discuss that with the LUA as well.

Presentation from Dave Reyfield concerning the Water Conservancy District -

Dave Reyfield approached the Council and informed them that the Water Conservancy district is different than most districts in that the board will be elected rather than appointed. They will be focusing on water quality, conservation and supply. The resolution will allow this to go on the ballot so the citizens can vote on whether or not they support a Water Conservancy District. The Council asked about financing. Mr. Reyfield informed them that advertising and education is undergoing and being paid for by the County. They will be holding town meetings, and having radio advertising etc. As a taxing entity, the County promised to compensate for the additional tax by lowering taxes in other areas so the Citizens will not see an additional tax increase. The Council discussed that they feel that the only way to have a place at the table in Salt Lake is to have a Water District. Mr. Reyfield informed the Council that creating a district will allow the County to receive federal money. There is a concern because the Great Salt Lake is declining and some districts have a lot of water where others have very little. The goal of the district is

the make sure that water is protected, shares are banked and there is a system in place to save water.

Presentation of the North Park Police Budget: Chief Hawkes approached the Council and recognized members of the commission. He informed the Council that he has been working on the budget for a couple of months. When he started the budget he had three main goals, 1) Increase manpower by 1 full time officer, 2) hire a part time clerk, and 3) Create equity for the officers by offering more competitive wages. One of the main increases to the budget came from being required to have an audit this year. The cost will be around \$10,000. The last time the North Park police department increased manpower was July 2007. Over the years the calls for service have increased and the peak time period for calls have been spreading. The Police department has a need for more officers on duty. Chief Hawkes informed the Council that along with the increase in calls and services comes an increase in the amount of work on the clerk. She was hired 20 years ago and has been invaluable to the police department. The demands on her have increased significantly and she needs some help. A part time clerk will be working 20 hours per week at 12.50 per hour. Chief Hawkes informed the Council that officers currently start at \$17.00 per hour. When he looked at his veteran officers he realized that there was inequality in their pay. An officer that has been on duty for 2 years makes .78 more, an officer on duty for 10 years makes 1.03 more, an officer on duty for 14 years makes 1.82, and an officer on duty of 21 years makes 3.72 more than a beginning officer. The budget includes funds that will be spent to make this pay equitable. The Hyde Park City portion of the North Park Police Budget is \$328,655.

Public Hearing to discuss the Hyde Park City 2017 Fiscal Year Tentative Fiscal Year Budget: Council member Flint opened the public hearing for citizen input. There was no input. Council member Flint closed the public hearing. Donja Wright approached the Council and explained that the Council will be approving the tentative budget in the June 8th Council meeting. The public hearing and discussion is being held tonight so the Council can make changes to the budget over the next month. The tentative budget will act as the budget until August where a property tax increase will be considered and the final budget will be approved. Donja informed the Council that the budget is based on 30 new homes, and a 3% sales tax increase. The final page outlines the major projects and expenses for the year. The Council reviewed them and Council member Wheeler said that he would need about \$12,000.00 to start the design work on the new park.

Public Hearing to receive input and possibly approve Ordinance 2016-02 – Changes to the Building Code Ordinances so all codes reference the State of Utah Building Code: Council member Flint opened the public hearing for citizen input. There was no input. Council member Flint closed the public hearing. Council member Randall made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-02 – An Ordinance changing all building code ordinances so they reference the State of Utah Building Code. Council member Wheeler seconded the motion. Council members Hurd, Christensen, Randall, Flint and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 5/0.

Departments:

Roads: Council member Randall informed the Council that the Public Works team is working on filling potholes. They are holding off on any major road projects until the beginning of the new Fiscal Year.

Parks: Council member Wheeler informed the Council that he priced 2 different lawn mowers for the parks. They need a mower that will mow the grass on the steep hills. The cost for each mower was pretty similar at \$23,000. The Parks department also needs a blower for blowing off the tennis courts and parking lots and a line trimmer. Four trees were donated by Lees Marketplace and planted at Lion's Park. He is working with several scouts on eagle projects in the parks.

Water / Sewer: Council member Randall informed the Council that the spring is running at full capacity. He has a meeting tomorrow at 1:30 with some attorneys and Scott Archibald regarding the water mitigation.

Storm Water: Council member Flint informed the Council that she is meeting with the 4 Cities (Logan, North Logan, Hyde Park, & Smithfield) to talk about what the City's want to do with the empty canal.

City Celebration – Council member Hurd informed the Council that due to the fact that the City celebration is a little earlier this year and it is lining up with other festivities, Sky View Band has committed to be in another parade and will not be able to attend Hyde Park City's parade. Larry Hill's number was inaccurate in the newsletter but has been corrected. Council member Wheeler recommended offering some kind of prize to encourage more participants in the parade. The Council discussed sending a Parlan message to the Citizens of Hyde Park encouraging them to participate in the parade.

Adjourn – 9:00

Donja Wright – City Recorder

Council member Flint made a motion to approve the minutes from May 11, 2016. Council member Hurd seconded the motion. Council members Hurd, Christensen, Randall, Flint and Wheeler voted in favor. The motion carried 5/0.